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## WOODSTOCK, THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 29, 1844.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 1844. For Presidential Ticket and new ad-

THE AGE.

vertisements, see fourth page. SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DIS-

TRICT. DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Agreeable to the call of the District Committee, the Democracy of the 2d Congressional District assembled at Royalton, on the 16th inst.

Hon. J. W. D. Parker, of Bradford, was called to the chair, and J. Gould, of Chester, appointed Sec'y pro tem.

On motion, the chair appointed a coming of Ira Davis, Daniel Cobb, and S. H. returned delegates as followr:

LIST OF DELEGATES. Jr., Jonathan Smith Jr., Amos S. Hatch, the States. Harry Barnes, Aaron B. Kinsman-6. Co-Henry Keyes, Benjamin Atwood, Jas. C. its ultimate success. Chamberlain, David Darling, Thos. J. ister-4. Strafford, William Sanborn, at the ballot box. Daniel Cobb, Harry Russ, D. L. Barker-4. Thetford-5. Topsham, Jonas F. George, sense of the convention. John W. Bachelder, Moses Jones, Carlos Sam'l H. Price, Royal Hatch and Philip Farnum, Wm. C. Drew, Chas. M.

Bass-3. Chester, Rodney Sherwin, Geo. L. Fletch- election. er, Joel Gould, P. O. Sargent, H. E. A vote of thanks was passed to the of-Stoughton, Chas. Houghton-6. Hart- ficers of the convention, and the convenford, Samuel Nutt, O. H. Nichols, Orson Neal-3. Hartland, Ebner Stocker, D. H.Sumner, Seth Tenny, Harry Shedd,-4. Hoat, Edmunds, Req. Subster, Vt.
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Messrs Holbrook Carter & Co. Plymouth—2. Pomfret, Martin D. Fol-Ludlow-2. Norwich, Ira Davis, Joel Parker and L. B. Vilas. THOS. BARTLETT, JR. & CHARLES B. PLETCHER let, A. I. Chamberlin, Robert Perry Jr. -3. Reading-2. Rochester, Royal H. Tupper-1. Royalton,, Coit Parkhust, P. A. Stevens-2. Sharon, R. D. Lath-day of August, 1844, the meeting was orrop, W. W. Burnham, Lymond Tyler-3. Springfield-3. Stockbridge, John Blackburn, Paul W. Gay, Rufus L. Fay-3. Weathersfield-2. Weston-1. Windsor, S. H. Price, J. P. Skinner, Alterd committee of six to nominate officers for Worcester, C. S. Shedd-4. Woodstock, this convention. Thomas Russell, O. A. Bryant, C. G. Eastman, 3.

On motion a committee of five consis. pointed said committee: ting of Chas. G. Eastman, Calvin Blogett, J. P. Skinner, O. H. Nichols and Daniel Chester, Levi Davis, Windsor, Samuel J. 115 Cohb, were appointed to nominate offi- Chamberlin, Barnard. cers for the permanent organization of the convention.

S. H. Price, Levi B. Vilas, J. B. Danforth and Royal Hatch, were appointed committee on Resolutions, and the convention adjourned to half past 1 P. M.

At half past 1 the convention met. The committee appointed to nominate officers for the permanent organization of the convention reported as follows: President

J. W. D. PARKER, Bradford.

For Vice Presidents, DAVID H. SUMNER, Hartland, RICH'D SMITH, Corinth, GILBERT WHITE, Bridgewater, J. P. SKINNER, Windsor,

BRADFORD, NEWCOMB, Williamstown. Secretaries. J. Gould, Chester, WM. SANDORK,

cers appointed. On motion the Secretaries provided to

collect and count the vote for a candidate for Congress, reported as follows. Whole number of vote cast, 89. Nec-

essary to choice, 45. Of this number Elijah Farr, had J. W. D. Parker, Hugh H. Henry, Chas. G. Eastman,

LEVI B. VILAS. Levi B. Vilas having a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected. On motion of Sam'l H. Price, the convention then proceeded to bailot for a candidate for Presidential Elector. The result

T. B. Ransom,

Royal Huch,

of the ballo: was as follows. Whole number of votes 83. necessary to a choice 42. Of this number

Hugh H. Henry, J. W. D. Parker, Royal Hatch, Deniel Cobb,

12 18 Ira Davis. CHAS. G. EASTMAN, 33.

vention proceeded to a second ballot, which resulted as follows. Whole number of votes cast, 81. Necessary to a choice 41. Of this number

Royal Hatch, had Ira Davis. CHAS. G. EASTMAN, Chas. G Eastman having a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly nomi-

Mr Price from the committee on Resolutions reported as follows.

Resolved, that we are opposed to a United States Bank, in any shape or form, and proaching national election.

Resolved, that we are in favor of a Tarmittee of three to examine the credentials iff for revenue, so adjusted in itsj details, of the delegates. The committee, consist- as to afford in the language of James K. Polk, terest of the whole union, embracing ag- hear the coons howling at Gov. Polk for Price, reported that the following towns riculture, manufactuers, the mechanic arts, commerce and navigation."

Resolved. That we are opposed to the Bradford, Samuel E Davis, Ora M. assumption of the States debts, by the gen- House of Representatives for years, de-Clark, Devid Hartwell, Ebenezer P. Lew- eral government, and its kindred measure, clares "was a very proper regulation when is, J. W. D. Parker-5. Braintree, J. P. 'distribution,' as unjust in principle, and it was made!" Is'nt it beautiful? Kidder, John M. Lyman, Ira Kidder-3. tending to consolidation, and the destruc-Chelsea, Calvin Blodgett, Elisha Williams tion of the just and constitutional rights of

rinth, Richard Smith, George Sleeper, nations of the late Democratic national that Gov. Polk says, "my opinion is that Reuben Page, C. B. Leslie, Josiah P. convention. The zeal which these nom-bearborn-5. Fairlee, Dyer Waterman, inations are received in the different secf they stop! That is enough for their pur-John McLane-2. Newbury, Elijah Farr, tions of the union, is a sum indication o-

The resolutions were adopted as the

P. Bill, T. M. Bailey-5. Tunbridge, Hugh H. Henry were apointed district committee. On motion of H. E. Stough-

Newcomb, Luther M. Martin, Ebenezer Resolved, That we heartily approve of and is fit only to be a-coon! the nomination of Levi B. Vilas as our Audover-1. Baltimore-1. Barnard, candidate to represent us in the congress J. B. Danforth, S. J. Chamberlin, Earl of the United States, after the fourth of Newton; Jasper Clark, A. H. Danforth-5 of March next, and of the nomination of Bethel, Twing Buchanan, David Town, Chas. G. Eastman as our candidate for stump, working for himself as though he H. N. Smith-3. Bridgewater, Nath'l Presidential Elector, and that we will were trying to wipe from his face the Miller, Gilbert White-2. Cavendish-1. use all honorable means to ensure their stain of Plummer's tobacco juice.

tion adjourned.

Able addresses were delivered by Mr

IC CONVENTION. At a meeting of the Democrats of Wind-

sor County held at Woodstock, on the 23d ganized by appointing Hugh Henry Esq. of Chester President Pro. tem. On motion voted that the President appeint a The following named persons were ap-

Chas.G. Eastman, of Woodstock, J. Q.

The committee report as follows:

For President.

HUGH H. HENRY, of Chester. For Vice Presidents.

JOHN P. SKINNER, Windsor, DEXTER FIELD, Chester, THOMAS RUSSELL, Wood-

For Secretary. E. M. STOCKER, Hartland.

On motion voted to make the nomination for Senators in the usual manner. The following named persons, were

nominated as candidates, for Senators for the County of Windsor. JOSEPH B. DANFORTH, of Barnard,

RODNEY SHERWIN, Chester, JOHN P. SKINNER, Windsor, LYMAN RAYMOND, Bridgewater,

Moved that the chair appoint a Committee of five to nominate a County Com-The report was accepted and the offi- mittee and report to the Conventionwhich committee were as follows, viz.: Samuel H. Price, of Windsor, M. C. Richardson, Chester, Samuel Nutt, Hart-

ford, Thomas Russell, Woodstock. On motion adjourned to meet at half

The Convention met at 2 o'clock agreeably to adjournment. Mr Price, reported for county committee, Charles G. Eastman, Ira B. Pearson. Joseph B. Danforth, Jr.

Hon. Levi B. Vilas who was present addressed the convention in a speech of great power and the convention on motion of Mr Eastman adj. sine die.

OH, LOOK A HE-AH!

In all the coon papers you will see paraded in staring capitals, the following: "My own opinion is that woor, should be DUTY PREE.

Mind, that this was said by Gov. Polk in 1833:

LOOK A WHAR?

"My first objection is to the admission VOTES OF COL. POLK EVERY CONGRESS of wool, costing 8 cents and under, free of duty. When that regulation was made in 1833] IT WAS A VERY PROPER ONE. The object was to admit the coarse wool, which did not come in comtwo purposes; to aid the manufacturers and to afford at a cheap rate a species of cloth used exclusively at the South. But sir, since the act of 1833, the quality of the low priced wools has entirely changed." LOOK A DERE!

Everett, you know who he is, we supthis question we regard as one of the lead- pose? Horace Everett says, at the time ing issues, between the Democratic and when (1833) Gov. Polk gave his opinion Whig parties, to be decided in the ap- in favor of a regulation allowing wool to object was "TO AID THE MAUUFAC-"fair and just protection to all the great in- TURERS" &c. How beautiful it is to favoring a regulation that by far the most

BUT.

there is another very beautiful thing a-Resolved, that we approve of the nomi- bout this extract. The coon papers say nose. Gov. Polk said, "my own opinion 54, Resolved, that we approve of the nomi- is that wool should be duty free, but as Doc-6. Randolph, Harvey Curtis, Jo- nations of our late State Democratic Con- wool growers think otherwise a duty of 15 seph Clark, Martin Flint, Sylvester Ban- vention, and will cordily support the same per cent is retained?" a protection, by-theway, of 10 per cent more than is given by the all-glorious act of '42! That last portion of the sentence makes quite an alterance! Now, we say that any man who will deliberately thus garble the o-West Fairlee, Geo. W. Graves, A. B. ton Esq, the following resolution was a-pinions of a candidate on any subject, would steal some-bones from a widow

A STIFF BUSINESS,

It would seem, the spittoon candidate is doing in his vicinity. He is on the

fors us that the people of that town "are being then a member of the House, must of course obliged to listen to his brawlings night have voted for the bill in every stage, and on its and day. He is in the habit of attending the whig clubs and even of going into the Democratic Association meetings, and af-WINDSOR COUNTY DEMOCRAT- ter the meetings are over stops and disputes with the members who happen to ay any thing that does'nt suit him,"

Very dignified, that, very.

STAND FROM UNDER! BILL SLADE PS HENRY CLAY,

The Columbian Patriot printed in Middlebury, and under the control of Wm. Slade in 1815 or 1816, stated that Mr Clay, when in England, played one game land for thirty thousand dollars and WON 141. Hawkins, Reading, Rodney Sherwin, IT! There are other articles in the same paper on Clay's gaming-and one, especially, which stated that Mr Clay could beat any man in the United States at CARD PLAYING. We hope the coons won't quarrel with this authority!

INTOLERANCE

The last Jonesboro' (Tennessee) Whig edited by a delegate to the Whig Conven- dissenting voice. tion at Baltimore, contains the following Extract from the Journals of the House-seteditorial expression:

"Our opinion is, that there is to be no peace in this vast country, till the Mormons and Catholics are exterminated.'

whig editors than the one at Jonesboro'; riot and bloodshed would percade the whole land, could such men have their way. And even in this orthodox and beautiful

coon and liberty-loving State of Vermont, were a man to drink a tumbler of milk without their license, or eat a bit of potatoe and salt unbeknown to them, or sell a cup often without first obtaining their and their party's leave, could they have their way, he would immediately be hung on the gallows of coon condemnation and hooted from society as a nusiance and vagabond.

Shall it be so Freemen? Answer next Tuesday! If you say nay! Go ahead and vote for Kellogg, Liberty, and Reform! \*

"High Wages,"-Henry Clay and Daniel than \$15,000 each from the United States Bank, for alleged "professional services." This, we presume, are the "high wages" the coons are so constantly talking about. Detroit Free Press.

LIKE MASTER, LIKE MAN .-- Mr Clay was nominated at the Baltimore Convention by Benjamin Watkins Leigh, of Virginia. Mr Leigh is the official representative of Mr Clay in that State, and in order to show that his views on free labor are identically the same with those of the latter gentlemen, which we have repeatedly copied, we make the following quotation from one of his speeches in 1837: "The WHITE LABORERS of the north are

government." Bej. W. Leigh.

"Mr Polk steadily opposed paying the old Revolutionary patriots for their services in the war of the revolution."- Sangamo Journal.

IN FAVOR OF THE REVOLUTIONARY

NUMBER 224.

Such is the assertion of the leading organ of the petition with ours, free of duty, for Coon party in this State. It is a broad, sweeping, assertion; and the reader can only infer from it, that Col. Polk "steadily" voted every year while he was a member against paying the P pensioners of the Revolution. The Journal goes further; it attempts to fortify its assertion, by making another equally false. It says that "Mr Do you understand it now? Horace Polk's grandfather having been a distinguished Tory of the Revolution, his votes against the Revolutionary patriots verify the old adage that "what is bred in the bone will show itself in the

Now mark how the records of Congress will come in duty free, that such a "regula- put these standers down. These records show which was read twice and committed."-page tion was a very proper one?" and that its that James K. Polk of Tennessee never did oppose the annual appropriation bills for paying the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States, on any occasion while he was a member of the House of rep. in December 1825, and remained a member for twelve successive years, influential whig Vermont has had in the the last four as Speaker of the House. We will now publish extracts from the Journals of the House, every year while he was upon the floor, in order to establish the truth of what we have his vote for the bill .- No member, in fact, voting

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives of the U. S.—session 1825-6. DECEMBER 14, 1825. "Mr M'Lane of Delaware, from the committee

of Ways and Means, reported a bill making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States: which was read the first and second time, and committed to a committe of the whole House to-morrow."-page DECEMBER 21, 1825. "The House resolved itself into a committee

of the Whole on the bill making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States; and after some time spent therein the Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr Markley reported the same with amondments; which were read and concurred in by the House. "Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and

read a third time to-morrow."-page 81. DECEMBER 23, 1825. Engressed bill of the following title, viz: "An act making appropriations for Revoluionary and other pensioners of the United States.

was read the third time and passed. "Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and the Clerk do carry the same bill to the Senate and ask their concurrence therein." - page 88. No division on the bill, in any stage of its progress through the House. There was no question against it, made by a single member. The bill appears to have passed through every stage unanimously. There were no year and nays taken on the bill in any stage of its progress, nor A correspondent from Middlebury, in- on its final passage. James K. Polk of Tennessee assage. They are matters of official record. But we proceed to the second year of Col. Polk's

> Extract from the Journal of the House, 2nd session, 19th Congress-asseion of 1826-7

December S. 1826. "Mr McLane, of Delaware, from the committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill making uppropriations for the Revolutionary and other Pen oners of the United States; which was read the first and second time, and committed to a committee of the Whole House to-mortow."-page

January 10, 1827. "The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole House on the bill making appropriations for the Revol. tionary and other pensioners of the United States; and, after some time spen therein. Mr Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr at cards with the Duke of Northumber- Bartlett reported the same with amendments. which were concurred in by the Houre.-page

> Ordered, That the said hill be engrossed, and read the third time this day."

January 11, 1827. "Engressed bill of the following title, viz: "An act making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary and other pensioner of the United States; was read a third time and

"Orlered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the passage of said bill." Here again we find no division on the passage of the bill. It appears to have passed without a In 1828. For revolutionary pensioners

sion of 1827-8.

January 16, 1828. "Mr McDuffie from the committee of Ways and Means reported a bill (No. 85.) making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary other pensioners of the United States; which was That is the spirit that actuates more read a first and second time and committed to a committee of the Whole House." .-- page 178

January 17, 1828. "The House resolved itself into a committee of the Whole House, on the bill making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary other pensioners of the United States, and reported the same with amendments, which were concurred

m by the House. "Ordered, That the bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow."-page 187. January 18, 1828.

"Engrossed bill of the following title, viz: "An act making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States; for the year 1828," was read the third time and passed, and sent to the Senate for In 1831. For revolutionary pensioners 1,011,100 concurrence."—page 100.

Here again the bill to pay the Revolutionary pensioners passed without a dissenting voice. Extract from House Journal-Session 1828.9 Feb. 5, 1829.

"Mr McDuffie from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill (No. 421) making additional appropriations for the payment of Revolationary and other pensioners of the United States Webster received in a single year more for the year 1829, which was read the first and second times, and committed to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union." - page 249. Feb. 21, 1829

"Ordered that the bill [No. 429] making additional appropriations for the payment of the Rev. states for the year 1829, be engrossed and read the third time on Monday next-page 319. Febuary 23, 1829

"No. 421. An act making additional appro printions for the payment of the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States for the year 1829, was read the third time and passed; and sent to the Senate for concurrence."-page 325.

Again we find the annual bill for paying the Revolutionary services passed the House without doubtedly have conformed to the movneying uni

"Mr McDuffie, from the Committee of Way and Means, reported a bill [No. 90] making appropriations for the payment of Revolutionary ar-invalid pensions, which was read the first and second times, and committed to the Committee o the Whole on the state of the Union." -- page 140

January 14, 1380. The bill [No 90] ordered to be engressed and read a third time to morrow. No dissenting voice

January 16, 1830. No. 199. Engrossed bill entitled an act making appropriations for the payment of Revolutionary and invalid pensions, read the third time and passed.

The bill again passed unanimously. James K. Polk voting of course in the affirmative. Extract from House Journal - Session 1831- 2.

December 27, 1831. Mr McDuffie, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a hill [No. 144] making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pension ers of the United States for the year 1832."—page

February 16, 1832. The hill No. 144, making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States ordered to be engressed and read a third time to morrow-page 372.

February 17, 1833 "Engrossed bill entitled an act [144] making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States for the year 1852, was read the third time and passed - page 377.

James K. Polk of Tennessee, again voting for the bill, there being again no opposition to the bill from any quarter of the House. Extract from the House Journal-Session

Dec. 27, 1832.

"Mr Verplanck, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill [No. 642] making appropriations for the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States for the year 1833.

1833-1.

The bill No. 642, (Revolutionary pension bill) ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow-page 120.

JANUARY 4, 1833. Engrossed bill entitled An act making appropriations for the revolutionary and other pension ers of the United States for the year 1833; read the third time and passed-page 136. Again did JAMES K. POLK of Tenessee cast

against it. Extract from the House Journal-Session 18-

JAN. 17, 1834. "MR POLK, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill (212) making ap-propriations for the Revolutionary and other penioners of the United States for the year 1834 which bill was read the first and second time and committed to the Whole on the state of the Union"-page 210,

JAN: 31, 1834. "Ordered, That the bill No. 212 be engrossed and read a third time this day. The said bill be ing brought in engrossed, it was accordingly read

the third time and passed''.—page 270.
It thus appears that JAMES K. POLK of Tennessee, this year, wrote and reported the bill himself, for paying the Revolutionary pensioners, and afterwards voted for it. This is the man, who the Journal says "steadily opposed paying the old revolutionary patriots for their service in the war of the Revolution." Extract from the House Journal-Session 18.

"Mr POLK, from the Committee of Ways and

Means, reported a bill (No. 566) making appro-

priations for the payment of the Revolutionary

and other pensioners of the United States, for the

year 1835; which bill was read the first and secand time, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union"-page Ordered, That the bill No. 566 be engrossed

and read a third time to morrow"- page 208. No. 566. Engrosged bill entitled An act making appropriations for the payment of the Revolutionary and other pensioners of the United States for the year 1835, was read the third time

Again did JAMES K. POLK of Tennessee report the bill himself, and vote for its passage. On the assembling of the next Congress in Deember 1835, JAMES K. POLK of Tennessee was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, until the close of 1838, when he retired from Congress, having been elected Governor of Pennessee. During the period he was speaker of the House, he was not called upon to give his vote on any bill for the payment of the Revolu-

House, to make such vote necessary. Amount of Money roted by Gor. Polk to the

Revolutionary and other pensioners. Goe. Polk, introduced hills for paying pensionrs, the amount paid them being as follows: In 1833. For revolutionary pensioners \$901,656 For invalid pensioners

For widows and orphans 7,500 458,999 In 1834. For revolutionary pensioner For invalid pensioners 241,219 For widows and orphans 3,584 In addition to the above, Gov. Polk sustained the following appropriations for the same objects:

In 1826. For revolutionary pensioners \$1,352,790

For invalid and half pay do. For widows and orphans 12,000 In 1827. For revolutionary pensioners For invalid and half pay do 1.260.785For widows and orphans 12,000 in addition to an unexpended balance of former appropria-

tions of \$564,000-\$236,000 800,000 total Invalid and half pay do, in addition to an unexpended balance of former appropriations of \$141,000, \$160,095, 301,095

In 1829, For revolutionary pensioners, exclusive of a balance on hand of \$110,615 75-- \$489-599,999 For invalid and half pay pen-

sioners, exclusive of a balance on hand of \$181,980 09 \$224,093 -42.113 00, total In 1830. For arrearages due the revolu-\$101,700 tionary pensioners for 1839. For revolutionary pensioners

for current year For invalid pensioners ditto \$191,481, in addition to a balance in the treasury of 299,330

For invalid pensioners, \$276-720, in addition to an unexpended balance of appropriation for invalid per ers of \$29,246 95, total 305,966 For widows and orphans

In 1832. For revolutionary pensioners 987,504 For invalid do in addition to the sum of \$140,532, in the treasury, \$165,039, total 305.571 For widows and orphans \$10,830,45

The above items are all taken from the Lawof the United States, now in the Library of the I thus appears that Gov. Polk voted to the reve ationary patriots and others, nearly ELEVI MILLION of dollars, while he was a member . e floor. This is the man who "steadily oppos the paying of the Revolutionary patriots ?!! as the

Journal falsely charges. Gov. Polk was speaker of the House during the ears 1835-36-37 and 38, and no tie on pension hills having occured in any of those years his votwas not given. Had is been requisive, it would un Illinoise State Register.

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not a whit better than the slaves of the south, and a dissenting voice. James K. Polk of Tennessee formity of his course, as above set forth Horace Everett said in a speech dehave as little right to meddle with the affairs of of course voting for the bill. livered in congress in 1842, of the regu-Extract from the House Journal - Session 1828lation admitting wool duty free in 1833, How true is the old adage-'like master, like 30. January 8, 1830. No person having a majority, the con- as follows: